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SUBJ: LOCAL COMMENT ON EMPRESS' US VISIT

- 1. JUNE 30 FRENCH LANGUAGE JORNAL DE TEHRAN (MINISCULE CIRCULATION) CARRIED COLUMN-LENGTH EDITORIAL ON EMPRESS FARAH'S US VISIT WHICH IS GETTING UNDERWAY TODAY. EDITORIAL PRAISES VISIT FOR PERSONAL CONTACT, AND SPEAKS OF HOW USEFUL THE WHITE HOUSE VISIT WITH MRS CARTER WILL BE.
- 2. IN CONTEXT OF THIS DISCUSSION, FOLLOWING SENTENCE APPEARS MIDWAY IN EDITORIAL (EMB UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION): QUOTE THE INFORMATION WHICH COMES TO US FROM THE UNITED STATES PROVES THAT THE NEW PRESIDENT IS NOT UP TO DATE ON THINGS IRANIAN. END QUOTE. EDITORIAL CONCLUDES WITH FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH: QUOTE IN THE UNITED STATES, PUBLIC OPINION PLAYS A ROLE OF PRIMARY IMPORTANCE AND HENCE THESHAHBANOU WILL BE ABLE NOT ONLY TO TAKE THE PUBLIC'S PULSE, BUT THROUGH HER MEETINGS AND CONTACTS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL LEVELS, SHE WILL BE WELL PLACED, THANKS TO HER PERSONAL CHARM, TO CONTRADICT TENDENCIES HOSTILE TO IRAN AND MAKE THEIR SOURCES UNDERSTOOD. END QUOTE.
- 3. EMB UNDERSTANDS EDITORIAL WAS WRITTEN BY JOURNAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EDITOR SIMON FARZAMI WITHOUT EITHER "INSPIRATION" OR APPROVAL FROM GOVT OR OTHER OFFICIAL SOURCES. JAB AT WHITE HOUSE FOR NOT BEING INFORMED REFLECTS ONE VIEW AT UPPER MIDDLE ECHELONS HERE THAT IRAN HAS NOT REALLY HAD ITS FULL DAY IN COURT WITH NEW ADMINISTRATION AND HOPEFUL EXPECTATION THAT EMPRESS WILL COUNTER NEGATIVE PROPAGANDA DISSEMINATED BY CONFEDERATION OF IRANIAN STUDENTS AND OTHER DISSIDENT

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